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Pursuant to your request, 11 pages(s) were reviewed and 11 page(s) are being released.

# *Freedom of Information and Privacy Acts*

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: August 8, 1950

FROM : SAC, Denver

SUBJECT: KENNETH GOFF  
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There are transmitted herewith for the Bureau's information, a letter addressed to the City Editor of the Denver Post by GOFF, a copy of a letter addressed to Governor WALTER JOHNSON of Colorado by GOFF, and the enclosure to this letter, which purports to contain Communist Party strategy with respect to revolutionary tactics. These items were turned over to me by [REDACTED] the Denver Post, for the Bureau's information.

GOFF is generally regarded as a border-line psychopathic case and has been associated with Reverend HARVEY SPRINGER of Englewood, Colorado, for sometime. SPRINGER is known to the Bureau as a religious opportunist who has had some connection with [REDACTED] similar characters in the past.

It is thought the Bureau might be interested in the alleged Communist Party strategy and it might be kept in mind that GOFF was at one time a member of the Communist Party and held a responsible position in the Party so that he could conceivably have had access to authentic information of this kind. No inquiry has been made of GOFF concerning this matter by the Denver Office, and no inquiry will be made in the absence of Bureau instructions.

Attachments (3)

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Criminal Division

September 20, 1950

Director, FBI

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KENNETH GOFF  
Information Concerning

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ON 6-28-2000

There is enclosed herewith a photostatic copy of a letter dated August 1, 1950, directed by Goff to Governor Walter Johnson of Colorado, together with a photostatic copy of an enclosure to this letter which was described by Goff as "the secret plan of the Communists to seize 30 of our largest cities." Copies of the above have also been furnished to the city editor of the Denver Post by Goff.

The files of this Bureau reflect that Goff was reportedly a member of the Communist Party in Wisconsin. He is alleged to have severed his connections with the Communist Party in 1939. During January, 1949, he was reported to be promoting a program of Gerald L. K. Smith in Denver, Colorado. Goff was arrested in Washington, D. C., for placing signs of a derogatory nature in front of the Russian Embassy, and on February 25, 1948, was fined for this offense.

On April 25, 1950, Goff gave a lecture in Los Angeles, California, at which time he admitted that he was an ex-Communist and stated that the Communists have certain plans in the event of war between the United States and Russia. He advised that the Russian Army in the event of war would come to Detroit first, then Alaska, New York, Panama Canal, and California. He stated that the Communist Party would bring numerous Mexicans to the border of California and also 10,000 Loyalists from Spain would be used in the invasion. Goff stated that the United States will have a warning inasmuch as Russia plans to take over Japan and the Hawaiian Islands first.

He warned that radioactive clouds and poison gas are to be used in the event of attack. Goff further stated that two large superhighways are being built in Russia in the vicinity of the Bering Strait. He advised that the Russians are now kidnapping Eskimos and taking them to Russia for interrogation. He also stated that Russia can mobilize 9 million men in a short time and that the Communists have a large number of agents along the borders of Minnesota, Montana, and Washington to train paratroopers for the contemplated invasion.

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No check has been made by this Bureau as to the credibility of the enclosed material and it is being furnished to you as a matter of information.



## THE COMMUNISTS' OATH

"I now take my place in the ranks of the Communist Party, the part of the working class. I take this solemn oath to give the best that is in me to the service of my class. I pledge myself to spare no effort in uniting the workers in militant struggle...I pledge myself to work unswervingly in the unions, in the shops, among the unemployed...I pledge myself to rally the masses to defend the Soviet Union...I pledge myself to remain at all times a vigilant and firm defender of the Leninist line of the party, the only line that insures the triumph of Soviet Power in the United States."

From "The Communist Party Manual on Organization", Page 105.

## TACTICS OF THE REVOLUTION

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The following are instructions from Earl Browder, Secretary of the Communist Party, (at that time) given at the seventh congress of the Third International at Moscow, on August 11, 1935.

1. Terrorize the bourgeoisie by descent 'en masse' into the streets. Post patrols, machine guns and armored cars.
2. Disarm the bourgeoisie by suppressing the newspapers, so that they will know nothing; and money, by closing the banks; deprive them of means of transportation (motor cars) and prevent them from organizing by control of meetings.
3. Nationalize banks, factories, industries, private firms (work of the cells).
4. Assure possession of the necessary money by seizing the banks and by contributions from public and private funds.
5. Establish a popular police (Red Guards) and tribunals; regulate traffic by requiring an identification card. From this moment the bourgeoisie can no longer escape you.
6. Apply immediately the system of house committees. You will thus have a further check upon everyone.
7. Take control of all private arms. This gives you pretext also for domiciliary search and fines.
8. Isolate the central power by seizure of communications; posts; telephones; telegraphs, radio; transports (work of corresponding cells).
9. Isolate in the same manner the subordinate organs; provinces, military and police commands. Suppress troublesome personalities.

13. As regards the army--do not seek conflicts. Isolate the command. Prevent the heads from reaching their posts, thus paralyzing the whole. Try to obtain defections. Regroup them so as to make it appear that the revolution is supported by the army. The transportation from one point of view to another is a very quick process. It might happen in half a day. It will come.

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Right in line with the instructions given above, is a Communist secret code which came to light on February 19, 1939. This code gives the minutest details of underground operations of the Communist conspiratorial organization for the "New York Area." Without quoting the code in great detail, here are some of the main points:

"AHO No. 1 (Revised) NEW YORK AREA. (30 Mile Radius Bldg. No. 38)

"SINBOKFIL

"Attention to Revised Sections.

"Delete and Replace with new.

"AH will operate the 1st 24 hours from Bldg. No. 38, 2nd 24 hours AH will be moved to one of the other 4 Bldgs., and so on as safety dictates. At 10 P.M. the 1st day AH will begin and end code information, over secret short wave length to all DLs with designated AH for next day--to start at 1 A.M. Same information will be sent each DL by identified runner between 10 and 10:30 P.M.

"Special for DLs. Each DL must know his D in every detail. He must be ready at once to execute all AHQ without error or omission. He must not permit D lines to be violated by his forces.

"DLs must disarm all persons within each D who are not known to be awaiting call for duty in 1st and 2nd phase. This duty must be started on first signal.

"1st Phase (Note Changes). DLs in certain industrial sections of Queens and Kings must prepare (their) organization to (upon signal) draw large numbers of police to the designated points for serious duty. This should be carefully planned to be unexpected. The 'disturbance' must be of such extent as to require large forces, and a struggle of such duration to permit completion of plans for 2nd phase of Action in other sections (of area).

"2nd Phase (To start on signal only) Each DL to complete 2nd phase task in his D.

"1st Action. Cripple all communication systems. CIO and other unions will co-operate but DLs must take command.

"Do not destroy unless necessary to prevent recapture by enemy forces.

"4th Action.

"(a) Shut off all electric power for use of all transit lines, subways, surface and elevated. Units must know how to do this task without destruction of power and auxiliary stations and distribution, upon signal.

"(b) Cut of all electric (power) for buildings.

"(c) Cut of all electric (power) for shops.

"(d) Cut of all electric light for streets, public buildings and offices, shops--

"(e) Cut off all electric for private houses and other purposes.

"(f) Cut off all steam for public heat and power.

"(g) Cut off all steam for private heat and power. Note: all above actions to be simultaneous.

"5th Action. At this time all DLs concerned must have special units ready to take over all armories, ammunition and military stores upon signal. (U.S. forts--excepted--at time).

"Note: Any cl (who is) about to be captured must flash "Star" signal and destroy instrument to prevent its capture.

"6th Action. Only if it becomes necessary to create further terror to render the people more helpless, shut off all water in following order: shops, public buildings, private supply.

"Special Note: Consult AHO No. 7 (original): destroy completely at source of supply, the (above) services only as last resort.

"Smoke bombs properly located in subways, buildings, large stores, will prove of great service in stepping up the terror of the people.

"Large fires in old buildings not occupied by our forces will advance the panic and facilitate surrender of women, children and old people, who will be held as 'hostages' for quicker surrender of their unarmed men.

"All means of transit for goods and people must be shut off (see original instructions) except those operated by AH and DJ by 'identified' persons.

"During the execution of Phase No. 2 sharpshooters and snipers will be detailed in taxicabs and vehicles to wipe out all police, soldiers, uniformed persons and known vigilantes.

"Searching squads will work fast, carefully and with certainty.

"From this Point follow closely AHO No. 8."

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# KENNETH GOFF

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August 1, 1950

City Editor, Denver Post  
Denver, Colorado

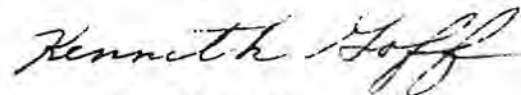
Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a copy of an open letter, sent to Governor Johnson, by the Colorado Anti-Communist League; requesting the immediate outlawing of the Communist Party in this State; and the arrest of the Central Committee of the Communist Party; as an important security measure.

Enclosed also is a copy of the secret plan of the Communists, to seize 30 of our largest Cities, including Denver.

This also has been sent to the Governor.

Sincerely yours



Kenneth Goff

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# COLORADO ANTI-COMMUNIST LEAGUE

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August 1st, 1950

## CHIEF AIMS

1.  
Outlaw Communist Party.

2.  
Remove all pro-Communist textbooks from our school system.

3.  
Expose all attempts to promote Communism within the churches.

4.  
Name and identify public officials and candidates who fraternize or in any way support pro-Stalin elements.

5.  
Organize an A.C. (Anti-Communist) unit in every church, precinct, and other organizations.

6.  
Defeat Communist-inspired attempts to destroy private enterprise.

Governor Walter Johnson,  
State Capitol,  
Denver, Colorado

Dear Sir:-

The present crisis in Korea is revealing more and more the enemy's emphasis on its fifth-column strategy, and the importance of that strategy in the winning of a war. It is our firm belief that this conflict in Korea is the beginning of a struggle between the United States and Russia which will ultimately develop into World War No. 3.

The advent of the atom bomb and jet propelled planes will make the coming war far different from any we have ever seen, and the possibilities are great that there shall be heavy air-borne attacks upon American soil and especially against our major cities.

The City of Denver will play an important part in the approaching war, especially because it is, more or less, the center city in the uranium territory. Secondly, because it is looked upon as the capitol of the Rocky Mountain Empire and thirdly, because of the number of army camps and airports in this area. The Kremlin realizes the importance of Denver more than we and, for this reason, has been building up over a period of years a strong fifth-column in this area which has been trained in the art of seizing our capitol city. The following over-all plan has been worked out for this seizure.

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While the police are busy trying to quell the riots; picked bands of Reds will seize the Radio and Telephone Stations, and with the aid of their Comrades who are already on the inside, shall cripple all communication systems.

Flying squads of Communists shall seize control of the Water supply and shut it off; also the Electrical Power and Gas. This shall mean that no elevators or street cars shall be running; homes will be without water, fuel or light. The people will not be able to communicate with friends or loved ones, who are in other parts of the city.

Goon-squads of picked killers will round up the people in the business districts. The men will be held hostages in some of the larger buildings, while the women will be turned over to the sex-mad mobs to ravish and rape to their heart's desire.

Bridges, viaducts and streetcar stations will be blown up, and the downtown areas will be isolated from the rest of the city.

Sharpshooters and snipers will be detailed in taxicabs and vehicles, which they will have taken over, to wipe out all police; soldiers; uniformed persons; and known vigilantes. Smoke bombs strategically located in viaducts, buildings and large stores will add to the terror of the people.

When night comes, the City will be in pitch darkness, and murderous bands of Reds will roam the streets; plundering shops and starting fires in old buildings, to advance the panic and facilitate the surrender of women, children and old people; who will then be held as hostages for the quicker surrender of the unarmed men.

These plans of seizure of the City of Denver have been in the hands of Art Bary and the District Committee of the Colorado Communist Party.

operating under the title of the "Colorado Communist Party" constitutes a definite threat to our security.

We, therefore, call upon you as Governor of the State of Colorado to take whatever means within your power, even to the calling of a Special Session of the Legislature; to see that the Communist Party is outlawed in the State of Colorado, and that its leaders are tried for conspiracy in a plot to over-throw our Sovereign State.

Sincerely yours,

  
Kenneth Coffey

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